

REMARKS

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 24, 2004, and in connection with the above-referenced Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicants to not amend any claims. Applicants cancel claims 1-27, and add new claims 28-46. Accordingly, claims 28-46 remain to be examined.

CONCLUSION

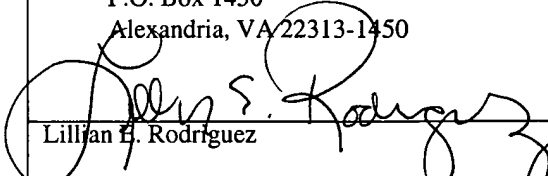
In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all claims now pending, namely claims 28-46, patentably define the subject invention over the prior art of record, and are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would be useful in moving the application forward to allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (310) 207-3800.

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